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Amendment No. 1 to HB1559

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 1731*

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by deleting all language after the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1.

(a) Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-9-602(a), is amended by inserting the following sentence immediately after the first sentence:

If the motor vehicle possesses front seats and rear seats, then such child may not be transported in a front seat.

(b) Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-9-602(a), is further amended by deleting the punctuation and words ", or attending to its other physiological needs".

(c) Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-9-602(a), is further amended by designating the amended language of the subsection as subdivision "(a)(1)" and by adding the following new language, to be designated as subdivision "(a)(2)":

(2) Any person transporting a child, between four (4) and eight (8) years of age who weighs less than eighty (80) pounds, in a motor vehicle upon a road, street or highway of Tennessee is responsible for providing for the protection of the child and properly using a child passenger booster-seat restraint system meeting federal motor vehicle safety standards. If the motor vehicle possesses front seats and rear seats, then such child may not be transported in a front seat.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-9-602(g), is amended by deleting subdivision (1) and by substituting instead the following:

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(1) Any person transporting any child, between four (4) and eight (8) years of age who weighs eighty (80) pounds or more, or any child, between eight (8) and fifteen (15) years of age, in a passenger motor vehicle upon a road, street or highway of Tennessee is responsible for the protection of the child and properly using a passenger restraint system, including safety belts, meeting federal motor vehicle safety standards. If the motor vehicle possesses front seats and rear seats, then any such child under twelve (12) years of age may not be transported in a front seat.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2001, the public welfare requiring it.